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SUBJECT:CST MINISTERIAL (JUNE 24-25) -- PREPARATION OF DRAFT COMMUNIQUE

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1. SUMMARY. GUIDANCE IS PROVIDED USOECD SCIENCE ADVISER FOR MAY 22 MEETING OF EXTENDED BUREAU OF COMMITTEE FOR SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL POLICY (CST) WHICH IS TO CONSIDER DRAFT OUTLINE OF SUBJECT COMMUNIQUE. WE RECOMMEND THIS OUTLINE FOR EARLY COUNCIL CONSIDERATION BE DIRECTED AT THIS STAGE TOWARDS PROVIDING COUNCIL WITH INFO ON SCIENCE MINISTERIAL PREPARATIONS.

ACTION REQUESTED: PLEASE COMMUNICATE RESULTS OF BUREAU MEETING PRIOR TO PROPOSED MAY 29 VISIT OF OSHIMA TO WASHINGTON. END SUMMARY. UNCLASSIFIED

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- 2. CST REQUESTED EXTENDED BUREAU (OR THEIR REPS) PREPARE DRAFT SKELETON OUTLINE OF SCIENCE MINISTERIAL COMMUNIQUE FOR CONSIDERATION BY COUNCIL, JUNE 3. US REP SHOULD UNDERSCORE FACT WE ARE OPPOSED TO PRE COOKED OUTCOME AND THAT COMMUNIQUE OUTLINE AT THIS STAGE SHOULD BE LIMITED TO FLEXIBLE FRAMEWORK WITHIN WHICH MINISTERIAL INITIATIVES AND RECOMMENDATIONS CAN BE INCLUDED.
- 3. FOLLOWING PATTERN AND EXPERIENCE OF PAST SCIENCE MINISTERIALS, AND USING REF DOC (A) AS MODEL, ONE APPROACH TO INITIAL DEVELOPMENT OF COMMUNIQUE OUTLINE WOULD BE TO TAKE "QUESTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION" PAPER, REF DOC (B) REVISED AT MAY 13 CST MEETING, AS FRAMEWORK WITH SIX CHAPTER HEADINGS. PRESENT QUESTIONS COULD BE RESTATED AS POSITIVE GENERAL STATEMENTS WHICH COULD BE ACCEPTED, REJECTED, REVISED AND PARTICULARLY FILLED IN WITH SPECIFIC FOLLOW UP RECOMMENDATIONS AT LATER STAGE. IMPORTANT THAT EVEN HERE, THIS FRAMEWORK SHOULD BE KEPT OPEN AND FLEXIBLE IN ORDER TO TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION POTENTIAL ACTIVITIES SUCH AS VERY EXPLORATORY IDEAS PROVIDED MISSION BY US REPS TO MAY 12-13 CST MEETING.
- 4. WITH REF TO COUNCIL CONSIDERATION, EVEN FINAL COMMUNIQUE WOULD CONTAIN RECOMMENDATIONS AND PROPOSALS TO ORGANIZATION; THUS REQUIRING SUBSEQUENT COUNCIL AGREEMENT. OTHER SUGGESTIONS FOR GOVERNMENTAL CONSIDERATION WOULD BE OF GENERAL NATURE. IN CONTRAST TO ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MINISTERIAL, THE STRUCTURE OF SCIENCE MINISTERIAL IS SUCH THAT THERE WOULD BE NO NEED FOR CONCURRENT COUNCIL APPROVAL OF DECISIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS INCLUDED IN SCIENCE MINISTERIAL COMMUNIQUE. THEREFORE, COUNCIL CONSIDERATION OF COMMUNIQUE PRIOR TO SCIENCE MINISTERIAL SHOULD BE PRIMARILY FOCUSED ON FRAMEWORK OF POSSIBLE TOPICS FOR MINISTERIAL DISCUSSION LARGELY FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING COUNCIL WITH INFORMATION AND DEVELOPMENTS AND PROGRESS.
- 5. US REP TO MAY 22 EXTENDED CST BUREAU MEETING SHOULD LINCLASSIFIED

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ALSO REMIND OTHER REPS THAT CST AGREED THAT COUNTRIES WOULD PROVIDE MINISTERIAL CHAIRMAN THROUGH SECRETARIAT WITH INFO ON POSSIBLE RECOMMENDATIONS OR INITIATIVES CONCERNING POTENTIAL FOLLOW-UP ACTIVITIES WHICH COUNTRIES MAY INTRODUCE DURING SCIENCE MINISTERIAL DISCUSSIONS. THIS INFO WILL PROVIDE IMPORTANT BASIS FOR REFINING DRAFT COMMUNIQUE AND FOR ENABLING COUNTRIES TO REACH AGREEMENT ON COMMUNIQUE LANGUAGE NIGHT OF JUNE 24 AND

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